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## MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

A SENATE RESOLUTION acknowledging sugar cream pie as the unofficial state pie of Indiana and renaming sugar cream pie "Hoosier Pie."

Whereas, The sugar cream pie is far from being a "desperation pie," as it was often called, because it required imported sugar, a cow for cream, and for the ingredients to be stirred gently with the fingers instead of a spoon;

Whereas, According to food history, sugar cream pie was likely created in the early 1800's in the Midwest due to the new availability of one of the essential ingredients: sugar;

Whereas, Sugar cream pie was first created by Quakers who settled on farms along the eastern border of Indiana, notably the Richmond, Winchester, Portland and New Castle areas, between 1810 and 1825;

Whereas, In addition to the sugar cream pie originating from eastern Indiana, Winchester is known as the state sugar cream pie capital because the company that has made the sugar cream pie famous, Wick's Pies, is located there;



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Whereas, Wick's Pies began when Duane Wickersham started selling sugar cream pies at the Anchor Hocking Glass Factory canteen in 1943. Wickersham was granted a patent for his sugar cream pie on July 10, 1962;

Whereas, Wick's Pies has been in business for more than sixty years, its "old-fashioned" sugar cream pie is available in over twenty-five states, and it produces approximately 12 million pies and pie shells in an average year; and

Whereas, The sugar cream pie is a cherished Hoosier tradition with firm roots in the food culture of Indiana, and the Indiana Foodways Alliance has been instrumental in the Hoosier Pie Movement: Therefore,

## Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. That the Senate of the General Assembly of the State
- 2 of Indiana acknowledge sugar cream pie as the unofficial state pie of
- 3 Indiana and renames sugar cream pie "Hoosier Pie."
- 4 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to
- 5 transmit a copy of this Resolution to Susan Haller, Executive Director,
- 6 Indiana Foodways Alliance; Sheryl Swingly, Indiana Foodways
- 7 Alliance; and Michael Wisckersham, President of Wick's Pies.

